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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Nelson et al Docket No. 9473.18020-FOR  
Serial No.: 10/656,861 Examiner: John Lacyk  
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Title: Magnetic Force Devices, Systems, and Methods for Resisting Tissue Collapse  
Within the Pharyngeal Conduit

**AMENDMENT A**  
**AND SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed March 14, 2006.

An automatic three month extension of time to respond, up to and including September 14, 2006, is respectfully requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

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